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Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,  
and KELLY & Co.

## Banks.

### HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is con-  
ducted by the HONGKONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANKING CORPO-  
RATION. Rules may be obtained on ap-  
plication.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at  
3 PER CENT. per annum. Depositors  
may transfer at their option balances of  
\$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on  
FIXED DEPOSIT at 5 PER CENT. per  
annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai  
Banking Corporation,  
T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, May 15, 1893. 1515

### THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, \$2,000,000.  
CAPITAL CALLED UP, \$251,093.15.0.

### BANKERS:

CAPITAL & COUNTRIES BANK, LIMITED.

Head Office:

3, PRINCE STREET, LONDON.

Branches:

BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.

Agents:

PERANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST

Allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed

Deposits can be ascertained on application.

Every description of Banking and Ex-  
change business transacted.

CHANDRY INCHBALD,  
Manager.

Hongkong, November 6, 1893. 247

### THE MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, \$1,500,000.

SUBSCRIBED, \$1,125,000.

PAY-UP, \$662,500.

Branches:

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at  
the rate of 2 PER ANNUM on the Daily  
Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 12 Months, 5 PER CENT.

For 6 Months, 4 PER CENT.

For 3 Months, 3 PER CENT.

JOHN THURBURN,  
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, June 18, 1893. 228

### THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, \$1,000,000.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, \$500,000.

Head Office—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:

D. CHILLES, Esq., H. STOLTEFORD, Esq.,

CHAN KUI SHAN, Esq., CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq.,

KWAN HOI CHUN, Esq.,

Chief Manager.

Geo. W. F. PLAYFAIR,

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 PER CENT.

Hongkong, October 23, 1894. 1711

### HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAY-UP CAPITAL, \$10,000,000.

RESERVE FUND, \$4,500,000.

PROFITABLE, \$10,000,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—

C. J. HOLLIDAY, Esq., Chairman.

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BANKING Co., Ltd.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of 3

per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months 4 per cent. per annum.

For 6 months 5 per cent. per annum.

For 12 months 5 per cent. per annum.

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 14, 1894. 348

## Intimations.

### WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACT.

TENDERS will be Received at the

HEADQUARTERS OFFICE (B), Commis-

sariat Buildings, up to Noon on MONDAY,

24th Instant, for the PROVISION of

WATCHMEN on WAR DEPARTMENT BUILD-

ings and PROPERTY, from the 1st JANUARY,

1895, to the 31st MARCH, 1896.

Tenders must be made on Forms which,

together with any further information re-

quired, will be supplied on application to

the D. A. GENERAL (B), Commissariat

Buildings.

The Secretary of State does not bind him-

self to accept the lowest or any Tender.

HEADQUARTERS OFFICE (B),

Hongkong, 12th December, 1894. 2026

### PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF

HONGKONG, No. 1, 165.

A Regular MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in the FREE-

MASSONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on

SATURDAY, the 15th Instant, at 4.30 for

5 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are

cordially invited.

Hongkong, December 8, 1894. 1989

### WRECK OF S.S. BELLONA.

NOTICE is hereby given that ARRANGE-

ments have been made for the CON-

DUCT of SALVAGE OPERATIONS at the

WRECK OF S.S. BELLONA, lying on

NORTH REEF, PARAGUAYS.

All unauthorized Persons are hereby

warned against approaching the wreck or

in any way attempting to carry out any

Salvage Operations or to remove anything

therefrom or interfere with or obstruct

those Persons who have been authorized to

conduct the Salvage Operations.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1894.

SIEMSEN & Co.,

Agents,

For Owners, S.S. Bellona.

2024

### GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL, \$150,000.

30,000 SHARES OF \$5 EACH.

NOTICE.

IT is proposed to INCORPORATE AN-

OTHER COMPANY under a SIMILAR

NAME to the above, to TAKE OVER the

Business, Assets, and Liabilities of the

present Company, and for this purpose

Subscriptions for Shares in the New Com-

pany, when formed, are invited from the

public.

PROSPECTUSES and FORMS OF APPLI-

cation may be obtained from the Under-

signed.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, December 10, 1894. 2003

### CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 15th to the

31st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Agents,

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, December 10, 1894. 2005

### THE HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE Annual General MEETING of the

above Society will be held at the

CITY HALL, on THURSDAY, the 20th day

of December, 1894, at Noon.

All those who take any Interest in the

Work of the Society, whether Members or

not, are cordially invited to attend.

F. H. MASTER,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 6, 1894. 1883

### WINDSOR HOTEL, HONGKONG.

THIS ESTABLISHMENT, situated in the

central part of the island, known as 'CON-

NAUGHT HOUSE,' offers First-Class Ac-

commodation to Residents and Travellers.

Passenger Elevator, from Entrance Hall

to each Floor, in charge of experienced

Attendants.

Favourable Arrangements made for

Families and for Monthly or Extended

Periods.

RATE OF CHARGE. \$6.00 per meal

Tiffin. 1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. 0.75

Dinner. 7.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. 1.00

Breakfast, Tiffin & Dinner \$5.00 per month

Tiffin and Dinner, 25.00 "

Tiffin, 15.00 "

Dinner, 18.00 "

P. BOHM,  
Proprietor and Manager.

Hongkong, November 24, 1894. 1907

### STAINFIELD'S FAMILY HOTEL.

SUPERIOR BOARD AND RESIDENCE,

with every convenience.

Mrs. STAINFIELD.

1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, June 30, 1894. 1102

### THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP, \$2,000,000.

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-

HOLDERS, \$2,000,000.

RESERVE FUND, \$2,275,000.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account

at the rate of 2 PER ANNUM on the

Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 5 PER

CENT.

On Fixed Deposits for 6 months 4 PER

CENT.

On Fixed Deposits for 3 months 3 PER

CENT.

A. C. MARSHALL,  
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, May 17, 1894. 485

## Business Notices.

### Christmas 1894! New Year 1895!

### LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

GROCERIES and PROVISIONS, PUDDING FRUITS,  
PLUM PUDDINGS, PLUM CAKES,  
DESSERT FRUITS, NUTS, FANCY CHEESE,  
COSAQUES and CONFECTIONERY.  
SPECIAL SELECTED YORK HAMS.

## FANCY GOODS

FOR  
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PRESENTS,  
NEW GLASS and CHINA WARE,  
ELECTRO-PLATED GOODS,  
FANCY LEATHER and METAL SUNDRIES,  
FLOWER HOLDERS, TABLE DECORATIONS,  
LAMPS, LAMP SHADES, NEW MENUS,  
PIPES and SMOKERS' SUNDRIES.

## TOYS.

A LARGE SELECTION OF THE LATEST NOVELTIES.  
NEW DOLLS, MECHANICAL TOYS, TOY BOOKS.  
New Music.

## JOHANNIS WATER

Promotes digestion, prolongs life, prevents gout and rheumatism.  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 10, 1894. 2001

## W. POWELL & Co.

### WINTER FASHIONS.

DRESS MATERIALS, MILLINERY, FURS, JACKETS, COAT CAPES,  
HATS, HOSIERY, CARPETS, TAPESTRIES,  
&c., &c., &c.

W. POWELL & Co. 1950

Hongkong, December 1, 1894.

## PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM

### NAVIGATION COMPANY

Will despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS in the DATES

named:—

FOR SHANGHAI, Peninsular, Daylight, 15th Dec., Freight or Passage.

SHANGHAI AND KOBÉ, Formosa, About 18th Dec., Freight or Passage.

LONDON, &c., Siam, Noon, 20th Dec., See Special Advertisement.

JAPAN, &c., Ancona, Noon, 21st Dec., Freight or Passage.

LONDON, &c., Shanghai, About 24th Dec., Freight or Passage (calling at MANRILLAS if sufficient inducement offers).

For further Particulars, apply to

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, H. H. JOSEPH, Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 14, 1894. 2000

## HONGKONG HOTEL.

Telegraphic Address: "Kramlin"—A.B.C. Code.

BOARD AND LODGING, from \$5.00 per day.

HYDRAULIC LIFT to all Floors.

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail

Steamers.

R. TUCKER, Manager.

## HOTEL CHAMBERS.

BOARD AND LODGING, from \$6.00 per month.

ROOMS TO LET on 2nd and 3rd Floors, FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED.

Apply to R. TUCKER, Manager,

or R. LYALL, Secretary.

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## MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Telegraphic Address: "Kramlin"—A.B.C. Code.

EXCLAMATION, Hongkong, 1,400 FEET ABOVE THE SEA LEVEL. Telephone, No. 35.

THIS MAGNIFICENT HOTEL is situated at the most beautiful and healthy part of the

Hill District. The air is delightfully cool and bracing; the temperature being at

least 10 degrees lower than in the valley beneath. Luxuriously furnished and appointed.

THE CUISINE is under the personal superintendence of an experienced EUROPEAN

STEWART.

LAWN TENNIS:—Three Courts in splendid condition are kept fit for the use of



## Mails.



STEAM FOR  
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA,  
INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT,  
MEDITERRANEAN PORTS,  
PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.  
Through Bills of Lading issued for BATA-  
VIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTIN-  
ENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *SIAM*, Captain G. K. WRIGHT, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 20th December, at Noon.  
All Cargo for Marseilles, London, &c., will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to those ports.  
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.  
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.  
For further Particulars, apply to  
H. H. JOSEPH,  
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,  
Hongkong, December 6, 1894. 1894

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,  
COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ, PORT SAID,  
MEDITERRANEAN AND  
BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,  
MARSEILLES, LONDON,  
HAYRE AND BORDEAUX.

ALSO  
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 26th December, 1894, at Noon, the Company's Steamship *OXUS*, Commandant DORVILLE, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Species will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.  
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Species and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 26th December, 1894. (Cargo not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)  
Contents and value of Packages are required.  
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, December 13, 1894. 2027

## To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SATURDAY, 15th DECEMBER, 1894,  
AT 2.45 P.M.

COMPETITION—Long Range OUP and SPOONS. Ranges—800 and 900 yards. Shots—Ten. Entrance Fee, 80 Cents.

G. K. MOORE,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, December 14, 1894. 2037

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on  
TUESDAY,  
the 18th December, 1894, at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,  
THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,  
belonging to Mr. S. ALLSTON,  
in Bankruptcy,  
comprising—

DINING TABLE, SIDEBORD, WHATNOT, PICTURES AND ORNAMENTS.  
BLACKWOOD TABLES AND STAND.  
SOFA, CHAIRS, BOOK CASE and WRITING TABLE.  
CARPET and SKIN RUGS.  
CROCKERY GLASS, and PLATED-WARE.  
BEDSTEAD, WARDROBE, CHILD'S BED, TOILET TABLE and WASHSTAND, STOVE, &c., &c., &c.

(For Sundry Accounts),  
TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITS.  
MARBLE-TOP CENTRE and SIDE TABLES.  
CHINA GLASSES, &c.

MARBLE-TOP SIDEBORD with BEVELLED GLASS BACK, WARDROBE with DOORS, QUARTZ of ENAMELS, CUPBOARDS, DRESSING TABLE and MARBLE-TOP WASHSTAND, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 14, 1894. 2038

## GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM MIDDLEBORO, LONDON  
AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship *Glenhead* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 20th instant will be subject to rent.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 27th instant, otherwise they will not be recognized.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 14, 1894. 2039

## To-day's Advertisements.

## HARMSTON'S GRAND CIRCUS



## ROYAL MENAGERIE OF WILD ANIMALS.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!!  
(FRIDAY), 14th DECEMBER,  
THE LAST NIGHT BUT FOUR OF THE CIRCUS SEASON.

GRAND COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT  
TENDERED TO  
MRS. W. B. HARMSTON.

Great Specialties for this Occasion.

GRAND HIGH JUMPING CONTEST.  
GENTLEMEN RIDERS UP.

The following Gentlemen will compete:  
HART BUCK, Esq., MORTON JONES, Esq.,  
Lieut. TAYLOR, R.A., Lieut. BERGER, Hongkong Regiment.

Also, by Special Request,

THE GREAT ACT—LE ECHELLE,  
By GILL EDWARD and G. LOYET.

First appearance of BABY WILLIE, the smallest Equine in the World.

And a programme of events that will stamp it as a red letter mark in the annals of Circus History of Hongkong.

SATURDAY, 15th DECEMBER, 1894.  
GRAND FASHIONABLE NIGHT.

Under the distinguished Patronage of Colonel ROBINSON and the Officers of the SHROPSHIRE LIGHT INFANTRY.

ROBERT LOVE,  
Manager.

Hongkong, December 14, 1894. 2034

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Formosa*, Capt. ROBERTS, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, December 14, 1894. 2035

## CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

The Steamship *Chingta*, Captain LINES, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 18th December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, December 14, 1894. 1921

## Dakin, Cruickshank &amp; Company, Ltd.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED A CONSIGNMENT

of  
Hford Dry Plates,

1/1, 10 x 8, 10 x 12,

and are offering the same at

POPULAR PRICES.

Sensitized Albumenized PAPER,

1 pl. in tin.

CHEAP AND RELIABLE.

Dakin, Cruickshank & Co.,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,

HONGKONG.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

Lucile, American ship, Capt. Conway, Captain.

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

December 13:—

Jacob Diederichsen, German steamer, 623, A. H. H. Martz.

December 14:—

Wonging, British steamer, from Canton.

Kwang Lee, British str., from Canton.

Glenhead, British steamer, 2,240, R. D. Jones, London and Singapore December 7, 5 p.m. General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Ask, Danish str., 591, N. C. Ravabeck, Haiphong December 12, Rice.—ARNOLD, KANBORG & Co.

Formosa, British steamer, 674, A. E. Hodgins, Tamsui December 10, Amoy 11, and Swatow 13, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

## Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Japan.	Anconia (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 21, at noon.
Kobe and Yokohama.	Oboron (s).	Shawson & Co.	December 15.
London and Ports of Call.	Siam (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 20, at noon.
London, v. Suez Canal.	Glenartney (s).	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About Dec. 29.
London.	Shanghai (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Dec. 29.
London.	Amannoon (s).	Butterfield & Swire.	December 28.
Manila, via Amoy.	Sungkiang (s).	Butterfield & Swire.	Dec. 16, at 4 p.m.
Marselles, v. Saigon.	Oxus (s).	Messageries Maritimes.	Dec. 20, at noon.
New York, v. Suez Canal.	Argyll (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Dec. 18.
New York.	Lucy A. Nickels.	Simmons & Co.	Quick despatch.
S. Francisco, v. de la.	Bolgia (s).	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Dec. 19, daylight.
S. Francisco, v. Japan.	Pora (s).	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Dec. 20, daylight.
San Francisco.	Sierra Miranda.	Shawson & Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai.	Ponipular (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 15, daylight.
Shanghai.	Ponipular (s).	Simmons & Co.	Dec. 17, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Telamon (s).	Butterfield & Swire.	December 21.
Shanghai and Kobe.	Marquis Bacquhem (s).	Sander & Co.	About Dec. 17.
Shanghai and Kobe.	Fagmos (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Dec. 18.
S'pore, Penang, & C'ia.	Wingang (s).	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Dec. 18, at noon.
Sourabaya, &c.	Cromarty (s).	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About Dec. 17.
Swatow, Amoy & Tamsui.	Formosa (s).	Douglas Larpak & Co.	Dec. 16, daylight.
Vancouver (B.C.)	Empress of Japan (s).	Canadian P. & R. Co.	Dec. 20, at noon.
Victoria (B.C.).	Sikh (s).	Nor. P. & R. Co.	Jan. 1, at noon.
Yokohama and Kobe.	Chingta (s).	Butterfield & Swire.	December 18.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SAIGON:—  
For *Deux*, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 15th inst.

For SHANGHAI:—  
For *Deux*, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 17th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI:—  
For *Deux*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 15th inst.

For BANGKOK:—  
For *Deux*, at 9.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 18th inst.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & C'ia:—  
For *Deux*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 18th inst.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA:—  
Per *Anconia*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 21st inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET:—  
The United States Mail Packet *Belgic* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 18th December, with Mails for Macao, Amoy, Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—  
4.30 p.m. Registry closes.  
5.00 p.m. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET:—  
The British Contract Packet *Stamwell* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 20th instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, via *Brindisi*, to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.  
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

## DEPARTURES.

December 14:—

*Eldorado*, for Canton.

*Canton*, for Singapore and London.

*Twelve*, for Swatow.

*Frederic*, for Hoihow.

*Peter Johan*, for Chetoo.

*Hongkong*, for Hoihow.

*Lydenhorst*, for Nagasaki.

*Kremus*, for Shanghai.

*Alcock*, for Bangkok.

*Chunshun*, for Swatow.

## CLEARED.

*Brumhilde*, for Moji.

*Atlantic*, for Manungu.

*Mathilde*, for Tonkin.

*Wonging*, for Shanghai.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Ponipular*, for Hongkong: from London, Mrs. Vernon, Miss Corbell, Mr. G. Stewart, and Miss Stewart; from P. Parish, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. Kyles, Mr. Scott, Acting-Sergeant Watson, Miss L. Ramsey, Mr. and Mrs. Parlane, Miss and Master Parlane, Dr. Sandeman, Rev. J. Loverett, Mr. and Mrs. Mallard and 3 children, and Mr. W. J. Carter; from Brindisi, Mr. A. Manger; from Bombay, Mr. M. D. Tista, Mr. and Mrs. Moha, child and nurse, Messrs C. C. Karand, D. B. Karand, E. Camistat and Shiraz; from Colombo, Messrs Langford and R. P. Lamb; from Singapore, Mr. and Mrs. Vanderlip, Messrs J. Boyer, Brodie, Sin Kwin Hoo and native servant, Sin More Soon and native servant, Mr. Mix, Lorenz, and 23 Chinese.

For Shanghai: from London, Mrs. J. Jones, and Captain Dunlop; from Brindisi, Mr. Horio; from Bombay, Mr. H. Jones and native servant; from Penang, Mr. Francis and native servant; For Yokohama: from London, Mr. E. Cruickshank; from Ismailia, Mr. A. Frank, and Mr. F. Toplitz.

Per *Glenhead*, from London, Mr. and Mrs. Duggan and 2 children, Mrs. Fahmy and 3 children, Miss Mellor, Miss Ricketts, Miss Sadler, Miss Johnson, Messrs Morris and Stevens, Corp. and Mrs. Bateman and child.

Per *Formosa*, from Coast Ports, Messrs Park, Polignor, Dalal, Lam Lai Sang and Liao Tehow, and 125 Chinese.

Per *Nanchang*, from Chinkiang, 14 Chinese.

## DEPARTED.

Per *Thales*, for Swatow, 200 Chinese.

Per *Frederic*, for Hoihow, 100 Chinese.

Per *Hongkong*, for Hoihow, 1 European, and 100 Chinese.

Per *Mathilde*, for Bangkok, 1 European, and 10 Chinese.

Per *Chunshun*, for Swatow, 100 Chinese.

## SHIPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Glenhead* reports: Left Singapore on December 7th, at 5 p.m., had light to moderate breeze to the 6th, parallel of latitude from thence to the 12th, parallel had strong monsoon and high sea; thence to port, had moderate to light winds, with black topsides.

The British steamer *Formosa* reports: Tamsui to Amoy, fresh N.E. monsoon, and moderate sea cloudy weather. Amoy to Swatow, light variable winds and smooth sea, clear weather. Swatow to Hongkong, light N.E. monsoon and cloudy, smooth sea. Steamer in Tamsui: *Cass*, Steamer in Amoy: R. C. Felo, Chinese gunboat, and *Mandarin*. Steamers in Swatow: *Deux* and *Formosa*.

The British steamer *Wang* reports: Had moderate N.W. breeze and sea to Turnabout; thence light variable air and cloudy. December 14th, Friday, 1 a.m., spoke star, *Taiwan*, bound North.

The British steamer *Bullmouth* reports: Left Suez 11th November, Colombo 27th November, and Singapore 6th December; experienced moderate monsoon and high sea, to lat. 8° N., long. 100° E.; then strong monsoon and high sea; to lat. 15° N., long. 115° E.; from thence to port, moderate N.E. to E.N.E. winds, fine weather, Easterly swell. Experienced fresh monsoon from Aden to Malacca Straits, December 14th, 2 a.m., passed a barque, bound South, 80 miles South of Gap Rock.

The British steamer *Wang* reports: Had light winds and fine weather throughout.

## PEAK HOTEL.

Mr. M. G. Alon, Mr. G. H. Medhurst, Mr. J. G. Beck, Major and Mrs. G. K. Moore, Mr. H. C. Barrow, Mr. J. A. C. Clouston, Mr. and Mrs. North, Mr. J. L. Prosser, Mr. H. C. Beck, Mr. J. Rankin, Mr. R. P. Dipple, Mr. and Mrs. Sandelands, Mr. J. P. Dowling, Mr. and Mrs. Sansom, Mr. D. Forchheimer, Mr. F. H. Shaghe, Mr. W. S. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Wind, Mr. Geo. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Smith & family, Mr. Geo. Holmes, Mrs. Stonham, Mr. Morton Jones, Mr. A. G. Stokes, Mr. J. E. Macdon, Mrs. and Mrs. Walling, Mrs. H. Wilson.

## WINDSOR HOTEL.

Capt. Bouché, Mr. G. Liebe, Mr. Campbell, Mr. A. B. Macdonald, Mr. Campbell, Mr. F. D. Macdonald, Mr. Cortés, Mr. C. Manicus, Mr. E. H. Dorrick, Mr. Nepean, Mr. J. P. Dowling, Mr. F. H. Shaghe, Mr. D. Forchheimer, Mr. and Mrs. Wind, Mr. W. S. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Wind, Mr. Geo. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Smith & family, Mr. Geo. Holmes, Mrs. Stonham, Mr. Morton Jones, Mr. A. G. Stokes, Mr. J. E. Macdon, Mrs. and Mrs. Walling, Mrs. H. Wilson.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For AMOY & MANILA:—  
For *Sungkiang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 15th inst.

For YOKOHAMA & KOBE:—  
For *Chingta*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 15th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SANDAKAN & KUDAT:—  
Per *Memnon*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 15th inst.

For SHANGHAI:—  
For *Deux*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 15th inst.

For SAIGON:—  
For *Deux*, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 15th inst.

For BANGKOK:—  
For *Deux*, at 9.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 18th inst.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & C'ia:—  
For *Deux*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 18th inst.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA:—  
Per *Anconia*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 21st inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET:—  
The United States Mail Packet *Belgic* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 18th December, with Mails for Macao, Amoy, Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—  
4.30 p.m. Registry closes.  
5.00 p.m. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET:—  
The British Contract Packet *Stamwell* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 20th instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, via *Brindisi*, to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.  
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

## MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—Particular leaves for S'hai, 4 p.m.—Sungkiang leaves for Manila, &c. Overon leaves for K'oh, &c.

## Amusements.

3 p.m.—Harmston's Grand Circus, &c., at the New Reclaimed Land next to Murray Pier.

9 p.m.—Harmston's Grand Circus, &c., at the New Reclaimed Land next to Murray Pier.

## Meeting.

5 p.m.—Meeting of Perseverance Lodge.

## Miscellaneous.

Noon.—Insurance Offices close.

Victoria Regatta.

2.45 p.m.—Competition of the Hongkong Rifle Association.

## HONGKONG REGISTER.

Barometer ... 30.12 30.26 30.31

Temperature ... 76 72 71

Humidity ... 78 66 64

Direction of Wind ... ENE ESE E

Force ... 2 2 2

Weather ... 0 0 0

Rain ... 0 0 0

Highest open



Novoe Vremya says Japan is becoming a factor as over China war



